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Serial No. 08/811,898 : Group Art Unit:

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For: ANCHORING BISCUIT DEVICE

FOR JOINING TWO ADJACENT

BOARDS

In re Application of

HARRY W. EBERLE, III

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This is being filed in response to the Office Action of November 18, 1997 in the above application. Please amend the case as follows:

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 11, 21 and 22 and insert the following new claims 23 through 27:

- --23. An anchoring biscuit device for joining three boards, which comprises:
- (a) a first substantially flat horizontal top element having a generally biscuit-shaped top view configuration, said top element having an imaginary center line;
- (b) at least one substantially vertical support member attached to the underside of said top element along said $007120597yv \ clp-9$

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